

REMINDER: SAVE THE DATE
REGISTRATION DEADLINE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

Working Forests, Managing Communities
Thursday, June 18th - Friday, June 19th
Flathead Valley Community College
Kalispell, MT

As all Montanans know, the forests in our state are integral to our way of life. They provide us with amazing natural beauty, economic benefit, and endless recreational opportunities. But the relationship between our forests and our communities is changing. The wildfires of recent years, as well as the recent closing of several mills have caused us to ask what policies need to be changed or enacted to create a sustainable future for this valuable resource.

The “Working Forests, Managing Communities” meeting in Kalispell this June will provide the opportunity to have a conversation about the challenges and the opportunities we face in maintaining healthy forests that will support healthy communities. The speakers and break out sessions are intended to address the broad spectrum of concerns of county commissioners, mayors, state officials, workers, and citizens with a stake in the future of our forest-dependent communities. I hope you will join me for this important conversation.

Conference details and an on-line registration form can be found at:
<http://governor.mt.gov/instituteconference/registrationform.asp>

The conference is free of charge, and open to the general public. I look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor